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The Committee on Commerce reported through SEN. LEBEAU of the 3rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE BRADLEY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 15-101mm of the general statutes
- 2 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
- 3 1, 2010):

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- 4 (b) (1) The Bradley Board of Directors shall consist of seven
 - members, appointed as follows: The Commissioner of Transportation
- 6 and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,
- 7 each serving ex-officio, a representative appointed by the speaker of
- 8 the House of Representatives from the Connecticut Transportation
- 9 Strategy Board, created by section 13b-57e, a representative appointed
- 10 by the minority leader of the House of Representatives from among
- 11 the members of the Bradley International Community Advisory Board,
- 12 as created by section 15-101pp and three private sector members
- 13 appointed as follows: (A) The Governor shall appoint one member,
- 14 who shall be the chairperson, and whose first term shall expire on June
- 15 30, 2005, (B) the president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint one

16 member whose first term shall expire on June 30, 2005, (C) the minority

- 17 leader of the Senate shall appoint one member whose first term shall
- 18 expire on June 30, 2005. The term of office of each successor shall be
- 19 four years. The term of each appointed member of the Bradley Board
- 20 of Directors shall expire on June 30, 2010, or when such member's
- 21 <u>successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is later.</u>
- 22 (2) On and after July 1, 2010, the Bradley Board of Directors shall 23 consist of the Commissioner of Transportation and the Commissioner
- 24 of Economic and Community Development, each serving ex officio,
- 25 and seven members appointed with the advice and consent of the
- 26 General Assembly, as follows: A member appointed by the speaker of
- 27 the House of Representatives from the Connecticut Transportation
- 28 Strategy Board established by section 13b-57e; a member appointed by
- 29 the minority leader of the House of Representatives from among the
- 30 members of the Bradley International Community Advisory Board
- 31 <u>established by section 15-101pp, and five private sector members</u>
- 32 appointed as follows: (A) The Governor shall appoint three members,
- 33 <u>one of whom shall be the chairperson, (B) the president pro tempore of</u>
- 34 the Senate shall appoint one member, and (C) the minority leader of
- 35 the Senate shall appoint one member. The term of office of each
- appointed member shall be four years from the date of appointment,
 or until such member's successor is appointed and has qualified,
- 38 whichever is later.
- 39 Sec. 2. Section 15-101nn of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 40 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
- The Bradley Board of Directors shall have the duty and authority to:
- 42 (1) [In consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, develop]
- 43 <u>Develop</u> an organizational and management structure that will best
- 44 accomplish the goals of Bradley International Airport; (2) approve the
- 45 annual capital and operating budget of Bradley International Airport;
- 46 (3) act in cooperation with the Connecticut Transportation Strategy
- 47 Board, created pursuant to section 13b-57e; (4) advocate for Bradley
- 48 International Airport's interests and ensure that Bradley International

Airport's potential as an economic development resource for the state and region are fully realized; (5) ensure that an appropriate mission statement and set of strategic goals for Bradley International Airport are established and that progress toward accomplishing the mission and strategic goals is regularly assessed; (6) approve Bradley International Airport's master plan; (7) establish and review policies and plans for marketing the airport and for determining the best use of airport property; (8) ensure appropriate independent expertise is available to advise the Bradley Board of Directors, particularly in the areas of strategy and marketing and select consultants as necessary, for purposes related to strategy and marketing, pursuant to procedures established by the board; (9) employ managerial employees, as defined in section 5-270, and establish the salary of such employees, which shall be paid from the Bradley Enterprise Fund; (10) ensure customer service standards, performance targets and performance assessment systems are established for the airport enterprise; [(10)] (11) approve community relations policies and ensure that the community advisory board, created pursuant to section 15-101pp, operates effectively to ensure that community comment and information is regularly and fully considered in decisions related to Bradley International Airport; [(11)] (12) create a code of conduct for the Bradley Board of Directors consistent with part I of chapter 10; [(12)] (13) report to the Governor and the General Assembly on an annual basis; [(13)] (14) establish procedures to review and approve significant contracts, other than collective bargaining agreements, relating to the operation of Bradley International Airport prior to approval; [, which procedures shall require completion of each such review no later than ten business days after the board receives the contract; and (14)] (15) develop, jointly, with the State Contracting Standards Board, on or before June 30, 2011, a streamlined competitive bidding procedure for the selection of construction contractors, airport vendors and professional and other services. Such bidding procedure shall comply with all federal requirements for the receipt of federal funds for the airport; and (16) adopt rules for the conduct of its business which shall not be considered regulations, as defined in subdivision (13) of section 4-166.

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Sec. 3. Section 15-10100 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

[For administrative purposes only, the] The Bradley Board of Directors shall [perform its functions] be within the Department of Transportation, for administrative purposes only. The administrative functions of the board of directors shall be performed by the Department of Transportation and the costs thereof [, including the] may be reimbursed by the Bradley Enterprise Fund. The cost of consultants [recommended to advise] selected by the Bradley Board of Directors [,] may be reimbursed or paid by the Bradley Enterprise Fund. Consultants [recommended] selected by the Bradley Board of Directors shall be engaged by the Department of Transportation but shall report to the Bradley Board of Directors. The selection and engagement of consultants [for] by the Bradley Board of Directors shall be exempt from sections 13b-20b to 13b-20m, inclusive, and sections 4-212 to 4-219, inclusive.

Sec. 4. (Effective from passage) The Bradley Board of Directors shall study the functions and activities of said board and airport that are subject to any provision of the general statutes or of any public or special act, in order to determine if any such provisions prevent or delay the ability of the board to discharge its legal duties and responsibilities for the operation and development of the airport. The board shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and Bradley International Airport, not later than February 15, 2011, with respect to any such provision and shall (1) describe the specific manner in which such provision results in prevention or delay, and (2) make recommendations for amendment, repeal or exemption from such provisions.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following				
sections:				
Section 1	Iulu 1 2010	15-101mm(h)		

Sec. 2	July 1, 2010	15-101nn
Sec. 3	July 1, 2010	15-101oo
Sec. 4	from passage	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 1(b)(2), the term "representative" was changed to "member" in two places for conformity in terms, and in section 4, "of Bradley International Airport" was deleted after the phrase "The Bradley Board of Directors", to avoid repetition.

CE Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 11 \$	FY 12 \$
Department of Transportation	EF - None	None	None

Note: EF=Enterprise Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

A section by section fiscal impact statement is presented below.

Section 1 updates and makes technical revisions to the Bradley Airport Board of Directors. There is no state or municipal impact resulting from any of the changes.

Sections 2 and 3 do not result in any fiscal impact.

Section 4 requires the Bradley Board of Directors to study: (a) its functions and activities and (b) its ability to discharge its duties. The Board must report its findings to the General Assembly by February 15, 2011. This is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact.

The Out Years

There is no ongoing fiscal impact in the out years.

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE BRADLEY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SUMMARY:

This bill revamps the Bradley International Airport board of directors, increasing its membership and making it more independent of the Department of Transportation (DOT). It also requires the board to identify any law that prevents it from fulfilling its statutory duties and responsibilities. The board must report its findings and recommendations on this matter to the Commerce and Transportation committees by February 15, 2011.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2010, except for the requirement that the board report on laws preventing it from fulfilling its statutory duties, which takes effect upon passage.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The bill simultaneously reconstitutes the board and expands its membership from seven to nine. It ends the terms of the current members on June 30, 2010 or when each member's successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is later. It reestablishes the board beginning July 1, 2010 and adds two members. As Table 1 shows, the composition of the reconstituted board mirrors that of the current board, except that the bill adds two private sector members the governor appoints.

Table 1: Reconstituted Bradley Airport Board of Directors

Appointing Authority	Current Law	The Bill
Ex officio	DOT and Department of Economic and Community	Same (2)

	Development commissioners (2)	
House Speaker	Transportation Strategy Board representative (1)	Same (1)
House Minority Leader	Bradley International Community Advisory Board representative (1)	Same (1)
Governor	Private sector representative (1)	Three private sector members (3)
Senate President Pro Tempore	Private sector representative (1)	Same (1)
Senate Minority Leader	Private sector representative (1)	Same (1)
Total Members	7 members	9 members

As under current law (1) the governor appoints the chairperson and (2) the new members serve four-year terms or until their successors have been appointed and qualified, whichever is later. Unlike the current members, the new ones must be appointed with the legislature's advice and consent.

EXPANDED POWERS AND AUTONOMY OF BRADLEY BOARD

The bill expands the board's powers and increases its autonomy from DOT. The law authorizes the board to develop an organizational and management structure that will best accomplish the airport's goals. Current law requires it to do so in consultation with the DOT commissioner. The bill eliminates this requirement.

It also gives the board new personnel and procurement powers. The board can employ managerial employees, as defined by law, for the airport and establish their salary, which the board must pay from the Bradley Enterprise Fund.

The board can also approve, not just review, significant contracts,

other than collective bargaining agreements, relating to airport operations. In doing so, the board can take more than the 10 days current law allows. The bill implicitly authorizes the board to select consultants directly rather than recommend them to DOT for employment, and allows the board to pay them from the Bradley Enterprise Fund.

The bill requires the board to develop a streamlined competitive bidding procedure for selecting construction contractors, airport vendors, and professional and other services. The board must do this with the State Contracting Standard Board by June 30, 2011. The procedure must comply with all the federal requirements for how the airport can obtain federal funds.

STUDY ON STATE LAWS IMPEDING THE BOARD

The bill requires the board to determine if state laws prevent or delay it from discharging its duties and functions regarding the airport's operation and development. The board must report its findings to the Commerce and Transportation committees by February 15, 2011. In doing so, it must describe how these laws affect airport operations and development and recommend whether the legislature should amend or repeal them or exempt the board and airport from them.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Commerce Committee

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Joint Favorable
Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/16/2010)
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